

What happens if a student in UIL extracurricular tests positive for COVID-19?

In the event a student in UIL extracurricular (7th-12th grade) tests positive for COVID-19, the parent/guardian should report the positive case to their school nurse. **The child is required to stay home from school until all the following conditions are met:**



5 days have passed since symptoms first appeared, or 5 days since positive test if no symptoms occur;

AND



24 hours have passed with no fever without the use of fever-reducing medications;

AND



Other symptoms of COVID-19 are improving.

- Loss of taste and smell may persist for weeks or months after recovery and need not delay the end of isolation
- If you had a severe case of COVID-19 and required hospitalization, or you have a severe immune disorder, follow your provider's instructions -- you may need to stay away from others longer.

Once all criteria are met, parents/guardians will have the option to send their student back to school as long as the student wears a mask for the first 5 days of their return to school facilities. If a parent does not wish for their student to wear a mask, the student will quarantine at home for an additional 5 days (10 full days).



Per UIL guidance, in addition to the criteria and processes to return to school described above, a student who has been diagnosed with COVID-19 is **strongly recommended to receive clearance from a physician** prior to returning to participation in UIL marching band or athletic activities.